Boney's Lamentation.







Attend, you sons of high renown,
To these few lines which I pen down:
I was born to wear a stately crown,
And to rule a wealthy nation.
I am the man that beat Beaulieu,
And Wurmser's will did then subdue;

That great Archduke I overthrew.
On every plain
My men were slain.

Grand treasures, too, I did obtain, And got capitulation.

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I did pursue the Egyptians sore,
Till Turks and Arabs lay in gore;
The rights of France I did restore
So long in confiscation.
I chased my foes through mud and mire
Till in despair my men did tire.
Then Moscow town was set on fire,

My men were lost
Through winter frost;
I ne'er before received such blast
Since the hour of my creation.

To Leipsic town my soldiers fled,
Montmartre was strewed with Prussian dead,
We marched them forth, inveterate,

To stop a bold invasion.

Farewell, my royal spouse, once more,
And offspring great, whom I adore!

And may you that great throne restore,
That is torn away,

Without delay!

And caused my (lamentation.)